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26 27 BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of

PETER V. CHOY, M.D.

Holder of License No. 13803 For the Practice of Medicine In the State of Arizona Investigation No. MD-99-0073

CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR LETTER OF REPRIMAND

By mutual agreement and understanding, between the Arizona Board of Medical Examiners (hereafter "Board") and PETER V. CHOY, M.D. the parties agree to the following disposition of this matter.

- 1. Dr. Choy acknowledges that he has read this Consent Agreement and the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Consent Order; and, he is aware of and understands the content of this document.
- 2. Dr. Choy understands that by entering into this Consent Agreement for the issuance of the foregoing Consent Order, Dr. Choy voluntarily relinquishes any rights to a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the matters alleged or to challenge this Consent Agreement and the Consent Order in its entirety as issued by the Board and waives any other cause of action related thereto or arising from said Order.
- 3. Dr. Choy acknowledges and understands that this Consent Agreement and the Consent Order will not become effective until approved by the Board and signed by its Executive Director.
- 4. All admissions made by Dr. Choy are solely for final disposition of this matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving the Board and Dr. Choy. Therefore, said admissions by Dr. Choy are not intended or made for any other use,

such as in the context of another state or federal government regulatory agency proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arlzona or any other state or federal court.

- 5. Dr. Choy acknowledges and agrees that, upon signing this agreement, and returning this document (or a copy thereof) to the Board's Executive Director. Dr. Choy may not revoke his acceptance of the Consent Agreement and Consent Order or make any modifications to the document, although the Consent Agreement has not yet been accepted by the Board and issued by the Executive Director. Any modifications to this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved by the parties.
- 6. Dr. Choy further understands that this consent Agreement and Consent Order, once approved and signed, shall constitute a public record document, which may be publicly disseminated as a formal action of the Board.
- 7. If any part of the Consent Agreement and Consent Order is later declared void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Consent Order in its entirety shall remain in force and effect.

PETER V. CHOY, M.D.

Reviewed and accepted this 1 day of 2 9 2000.

- 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the practice of allopathic medicine in the state of Arizona.
- 2. Dr. Choy is the holder of License No. 13803 for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 3. Investigation No. MD-99-0073 was initiated on November 12, 1998, based on notification from the State of New York that Dr. Choy surrendered his New York medical license to avoid lengthy and costly legal proceedings after pleading no contest to allegations of unprofessional conduct, which stemmed from the filing of falsely stated credentials.
- 4. The New York Department of Health stated that on 12/01/94 Dr. Choy submitted an application to Oxford Health Plans in which he falsely represented that he was certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine. Furthermore, Dr. Choy also submitted an application to Empire Blue Cross and Blue Shield Managed Care Networks claiming to be Board Certified.
- 5. Dr. Choy responded that his office manager was under the erroneous assumption that he was Board Certified and applied to various HMO's representing him as such.
- 6. It is the responsibility of physicians to review for accuracy documents submitted for them in their name.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over Dr. Choy.
- 2. The conduct and circumstances described above in paragraphs 4 through 6 constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1401(25)(mm) (The representation by a doctor of medicine or his staff, employer or representative that the

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doctor is boarded or board certified if this is not true or the standing is not current or without supplying the full name of the specific agency, organization or entity granting this standing).

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. Peter V. Choy, M.D. is hereby issued a Letter of Reprimand for his unprofessional conduct as described above.
 - 2. This Order is final disposition of Investigation No. MD-99-0073.

DATED this 5th day of December 2000.

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Original of the foregoing filed this day of ______ 2000, with:

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